

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

The Mercurius Group part of the successful Cox/Zaha Hadid design team appointed to design the first stage of the passenger terminal at Western Sydney Airport.

The Mercurius Group, a Sydney based airport and infrastructure commercial revenue advisory group, is delighted to announce that it is part of the architectural team consisting of London-based Zaha Hadid Architects and Cox Architecture in Sydney that was selected from more than 40 entrants as the winners of the terminal precinct design competition for Western Sydney Airport.

The Mercurius Group's role in the design team is to provide the commercial analytics that will determine the amount of duty free, specialty retail and food & beverage space that will be provided in the new terminal, as well as input into the overall layout of the commercial precincts within the building.

"We will use our extensive database of benchmarks from other airports in Australia and airports worldwide to help us plan the retail and commercial" said Mr Ivo Favotto, Managing Director of The Mercurius Group.

"The opportunity to plan the retail and commercial program for a greenfield airport doesn't come along very often – so we see this as a great opportunity to make sure that Western Sydney Airport has the best commercial program of any airport in Australia and at the same time, ensure that the commercial program reflects the best of what Western Sydney has to offer".

"As a Sydney based company, we are honoured to play our part in the development of this terminal in our own backyard".

"We are grateful to the Cox/Zaha Hadid design team for including us in their consortium. The Mercurius Group has worked with the Cox team — one of Australia's premier architectural firms - on a number of previous airport terminal projects both in Australia and overseas and we look forward to working with them once again as well as working for the first time with the renowned design team at Zaha Hadid. The Mercurius Group will be also be working with London based retail architects, Chapman Taylor, to ensure that the commercial program reflects both the best of Australia and Western Sydney as well as the best from the rest of the world" Mr Favotto said.

Western Sydney International will open in 2026 initially catering for up to 10 million passengers per year.

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